Harkcon to assist in revising Basic Instructor Training to meet changing needs of DOE's National Training Center

The National Training Center (NTC), U.S. Department of Energy, has enlisted the support of Harkcon employee Lawrence Hatfield in the re-write and update of the Basic Instructor Training (BIT) course to better enable it to meet the changing needs of the department's instructor cadre to support the continuing need for instructors to support the organization's mission.

According to Melissa Otero, Program Manager of the Harkcon Albuquerque Contract, Mr. Hatfield has been a BIT Course Coordinator and Instructor Trainer for the past 12 years and is one of only a hand full of individuals asked to serve on the primary review committee. He brings to the organization over 30 years of Adult Education training and development and has been a contributing author and reviewer for several text books and curriculum. He has advanced degrees in the field of Adult Education Training and Development. This project to re-invent the BIT course reflects recognition by the Department of Energy to the changing work force and climate of new instructor development being implemented at DOE sites as opposed to bringing the students to a traditional school-house setting.

This curriculum review and update will include a complete review of the changing demographics of adult learners, changes in delivery techniques to address the changing attitudes and motivations of young adults, increased application of Web Based Training (WBT) and inclusion of new techniques to engage Generation Y and Millennials' in the ever increasing use of Student-Led Training programs.

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